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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant:	McElroy <i>et al.</i>	Issued as:	U.S. 5,835,868
Serial Number:	08/705,652	Issue date:	November 10, 1998
Filed:	August 30, 1996		
For:	AUTOMATED SYSTEM FOR IMMOBILIZING A VEHICLE AND METHOD		

Mail Stop Petition  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**DECLARATION**

I, Alejandro S. McElroy, declare as follows:

1. I am an inventor of the subject matter disclosed and claimed in United States patent application, Serial Number 08/705,652, filed August 30, 1996, and entitled "AUTOMATED SYSTEM FOR IMMOBILIZING A VEHICLE AND METHOD"; which issued as United States Patent 5,835,868 on November 10, 1998 ("the '868 Patent").
2. The '868 patent expired on November 10, 2006 for failure to timely pay the 7.5 year maintenance fee.
3. This Declaration accompanies a Petition to Accept Unintentionally Delayed Payment of Maintenance Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.378 and requisite fees. This Declaration is presented for the purpose of demonstrating that the delayed payment of the 7.5 year maintenance fee was unintentional.
4. The entire delay in payment of the 7.5 year maintenance fee was unintentional, including the period from my discovery that the maintenance fee was not timely paid until payment of the maintenance fee.

5. I, Alejandro S. McElroy, declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that these statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like are made punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patents that may issue thereon.

  
Alejandro S. McElroy

7/7/08  
Date